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## COVER SHEET FOR AMENDMENT OF POST-TRAVEL SUBMISSION

**Instructions:** Use this form as a cover sheet for any paperwork you may need to submit to the **Office of Public Records** in order to make your Privately Sponsored Post-Travel Submission complete in accordance with Rule 35. **Only complete this form if you need to submit an amendment to a post-travel filing you have already submitted.**

SUBMIT DIRECTLY TO THE **OFFICE OF PUBLIC RECORDS** IN 232 HART BUILDING

Name of Traveler: Joshua Dixon Peaster

Employing Office/Committee: Senator Hyde-Smith

Travel Expenses Paid by (List all sources): South Florida Agricultural Foundation

Travel Date(s): April 6-9, 2021

Description/Title of Attached Forms: Trip invitation, Re-1, and updated Re-2

Purpose of Amendment (describe the reason for amending original submission): \_\_\_\_\_

I am amending my RE-1, submitting the most up to date invitation I received, and a revised Re-2, where I moved "Air Boat Tour" from transportation to other.

9/14/21  
(Date)

John P. Peaster  
(Signature of Traveler)



## Employee Post-Travel Disclosure of Travel Expenses

Date/Time Stamp:

**Post-Travel Filing Instructions:** Complete this form within **30 days** of returning from travel. Submit all forms to the **Office of Public Records in 232 Hart Building**.

In compliance with Rule 35.2(a) and (c), I make the following disclosures with respect to travel expenses that have been or will be reimbursed/paid for me. I also certify that I have attached:

- ☐ The **original** *Employee Pre-Travel Authorization* (Form RE-1), **AND**  
☐ A **copy** of the *Private Sponsor Travel Certification Form* with all attachments (itinerary, invitee list, etc.)

Private Sponsor(s) (list all): South Florida Agricultural Foundation, Inc.

Travel date(s): April 6, 2021 through April 9, 2021

Name of accompanying family member (if any): None

Relationship to Traveler: ☐ Spouse ☐ Child

IF THE COST OF LODGING **DID NOT INCREASE** DUE TO THE ACCOMPANYING SPOUSE OR DEPENDENT CHILD, ONLY INCLUDE LODGING COSTS IN EMPLOYEE EXPENSES. (Attach additional pages if necessary.)

### Expenses for Employee:

	Transportation Expenses	Lodging Expenses	Meal Expenses	Other Expenses (Amount & Description)
<input type="checkbox"/> Good Faith Estimate <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Actual Amount	Airfare: \$231.75 Bus: \$100.16	Clewiston: \$219.98 West Palm Beach: \$205.00	Total: \$157.88	Air boat: \$20.83

### Expenses for Accompanying Spouse or Dependent Child (if applicable):

	Transportation Expenses	Lodging Expenses	Meal Expenses	Other Expenses (Amount & Description)
<input type="checkbox"/> Good Faith Estimate <input type="checkbox"/> Actual Amount				

Provide a description of all meetings and events attended. See Senate Rule 35.2(c)(6). (Attach additional pages if necessary.): See attached itinerary

9/14/21  
(Date)

Joshua D. Peaster  
(Printed name of traveler)

Joshua D. Peaster  
(Signature of traveler)

TO BE COMPLETED BY SUPERVISING MEMBER/OFFICER:

I have made a determination that the expenses set out above in connections with travel described in the *Employee Pre-Travel Authorization* form, are necessary transportation, lodging, and related expenses as defined in Rule 35.

9/14/21  
(Date)

Cindy Hyde-Smith  
(Signature of Supervising Senator/Officer)



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**From:** Cheryl Klimek <Cheryl@soflagfoundation.org>  
**Sent:** Monday, March 22, 2021 2:33 PM  
**To:** Peaster, Josh (Hyde-Smith)  
**Subject:** Please Join Us - RESCHEDULED South Florida Ag Tour

Good afternoon Josh,

The **South Florida Agricultural Foundation, Inc.**, a non-profit organization founded to increase public awareness of South Florida's agricultural industries – including sugarcane, citrus, sweet corn, rice, celery and other crops – through educational and stewardship opportunities, is sponsoring a congressional staff trip to our area on **April 6-9, 2021**. The purpose of this **Ag-venture** is to give staffers an opportunity to tour South Florida's agricultural industry gaining firsthand knowledge of its impact on Florida and the United States. Due to last-minute committee meetings being scheduled during the week we had originally planned, we decided to reschedule during another district week.

The Foundation would like to extend an invitation to you to participate in this trip. **Please find the updated itinerary attached**, and you can also check out our website at [www.soflagfoundation.org](http://www.soflagfoundation.org), where you can see the educational opportunities our past tour participants had.

Tour participants depart from Ronald Reagan National Airport to Palm Beach International Airport where Foundation staff and a chartered bus will meet them. We'll kickoff the tour by traveling west to the Everglades Agricultural Area and there will even be an ecological **AIR BOAT TOUR** on Lake Okeechobee, the heart of a number of Florida's water issues. Other stops during the tour will include citrus groves, sugarcane field operations and mill, and other vegetable planting and harvesting operations. The Foundation will cover the cost of all travel, lodging and meal expenses associated with the trip and will provide all necessary documentation for the Ethics Committee.

Florida is known as a premier tourist destination with its miles of sandy beaches, but few people know of its abundant agricultural interests and its vital role in food production. In the South Florida region, Palm Beach County alone generates nearly one-and-a-half billion dollars in total agricultural sales each year, ranking it among the top ten counties for highest agricultural revenue in the nation. While Florida has three million acres devoted to agriculture, Palm Beach County has more agriculture than any other county with 40% of its land actively farmed. Florida food is exported to 170 different countries to the tune of \$4 billion worth of food products.

We hope you will be able to join the Foundation on this fact-finding trip. We believe it will be a worthwhile experience and that you will gain a better understanding of the Florida agricultural industry and other ag-related issues that you work with on a daily basis.

**Be assured that we will be following all CDC guidelines regarding Covid-19 virus precautions and protocols necessary to keep everyone safe and healthy. We will share more details upon your RSVP.**

**Most of the people who were scheduled for the last tour are on the list for this one, but we do have a few openings.** Please RSVP ASAP for this exciting **Ag-venture** and we'll get you the ethics forms right away, as they are due by **MONDAY, MARCH 8**. You are welcome to include or send instead the member of your staff who handles agricultural issues, if you do not. Feel free to contact us at 561-315-0481 if you have any questions. Hope to see you in APRIL!

*Ardis Hammock*  
Board President



*Cheryl Klimek*

Executive Director



Cheryl Klimek, Executive Director

P.O.Box 1952, West Palm Beach, FL 33402

561-315-0481 [www.soflagfoundation.org](http://www.soflagfoundation.org)



**EMPLOYEE PRE-TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION**

Date/Time Stamp:

Originally submitted  
on 3/5/21 @ 4:35PM  
MTD

**Pre-Travel Filing Instructions:** Complete and submit this form at least 30 days prior to the travel departure date to the Select Committee on Ethics in SH-220. Incomplete and late travel submissions will not be considered or approved. This form must be typed and is available as a fillable PDF on the Committee's website at ethics.senate.gov. Retain a copy of your entire pre-travel submission for your required post-travel disclosure.

Name of Traveler: Joshua Dixon PeasterEmploying Office/Committee: Office of Senator Cindy Hyde-SmithPrivate Sponsor(s) (list all): South Florida Agriculture Foundation, Inc.Travel date(s): April 6, 2021- April 9, 2021*Note: If you plan to extend the trip for any reason you must notify the Committee.*Destination(s): Palm Beach, Florida and Clewiston, Florida

Explain how this trip is specifically connected to the traveler's official or representational duties:

This trip is connected to my official duties because this trip is taken to give Ag staffers a first hand knowledge of agriculture in Florida. I am a Legislative Assistant for Agriculture in my office, where Senator Hyde-Smith sits on the Ag committee. It is crucial that I understand Ag from a national perspective. This is a great opportunity to get a better understanding of Agriculture in Florida and therefore Ag in the United States. I want to go on this trip to potentially bring some new knowledge of Ag back to my office and my state of MS.

Name of accompanying family member (if any): \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to Employee: ☐ Spouse ☐ Child

I certify that the information contained in this form is true, complete and correct to the best of my knowledge:

03/22/21  
(Date)

Joshua D Peaster  
(Signature of Employee)

TO BE COMPLETED BY SUPERVISING SENATOR/OFFICER (President of the Senate, Secretary of the Senate, Sergeant at Arms, Secretary for the Majority, Secretary for the Minority, and Chaplain):

I, Cindy Hyde-Smith hereby authorize Josh Peaster  
(Print Senator's/Officer's Name) (Print Traveler's Name)

an employee under my direct supervision, to accept payment or reimbursement for necessary transportation, lodging, and related expenses for travel to the event described above. I have determined that this travel is in connection with his or her duties as a Senate employee or an officeholder, and will not create the appearance that he or she is using public office for private gain.

I have also determined that the attendance of the employee's spouse or child is appropriate to assist in the representation of the Senate. (signify "yes" by checking box) ☐

03/22/21  
(Date)

Cindy Hyde-Smith  
(Signature of Supervising Senator/Officer)